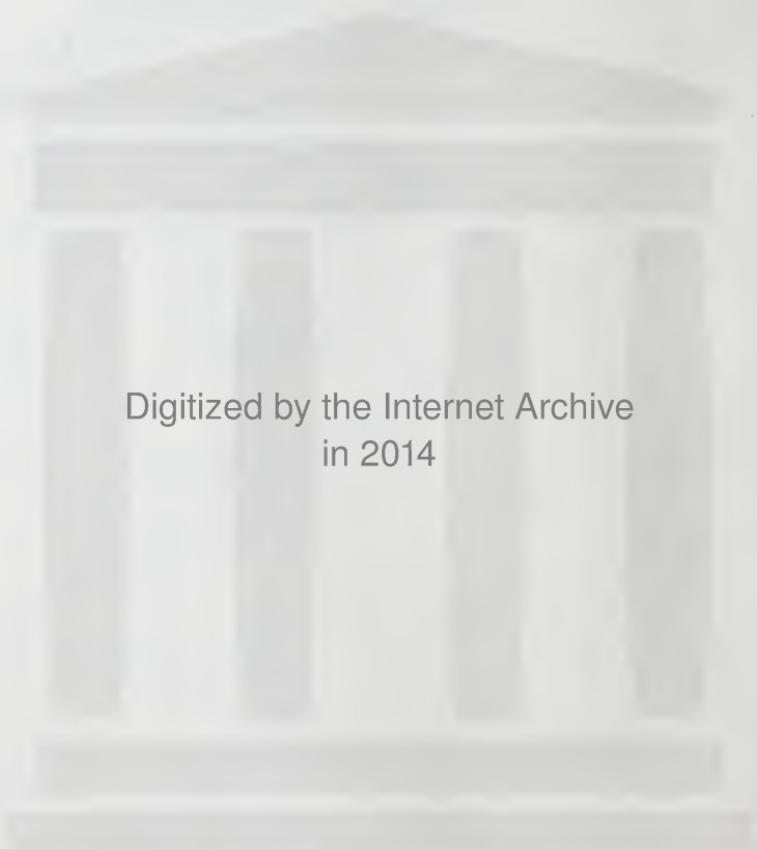


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TOWN OF WATERBORO MAINE

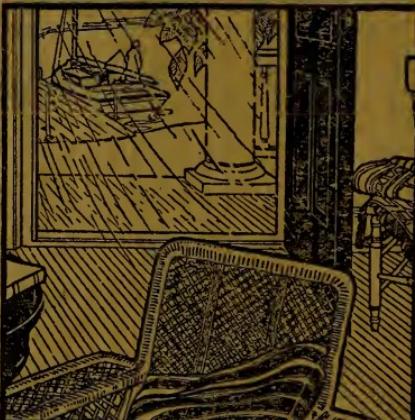
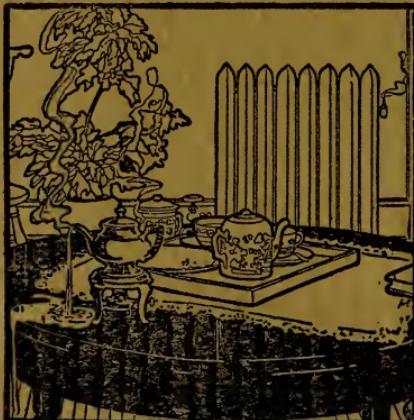


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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**Board of Selectmen, Assessors and
Overseers of Poor**

OF THE

Town of Waterboro

MAINE

For the Year Ending February 20

1915

SPRINGVALE, MAINE
THE SPRINGVALE ADVOCATE

1915

Town Officers 1914

Moderator

M. E. RICKER

Town Clerk

IVORY H. SMITH

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

H. L. SMITH

H. B. SWETT

C. E. CHADBOURNE

Treasurer and Collector

JAMES A. ROBERTS

School Committee

J. A. ROBERTS

GEORGE N. BROCK

W. LESLIE GOODWIN

Superintendent of Schools

FRANK P. KNIGHTS

Auditor

GEORGE H. SMITH

Town Agent

LEVI P. KNIGHTS

Road Commissioners

CHARLES E. BRACKETT

L. P. KNIGHTS

D. P. KNIGHTS

Annual Report

We, the undersigned Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, herewith submit our annual report for the municipal year beginning March 1st, 1914 and closing February 20th, 1915.

Valuation of the Town for the year 1913

Resident real estate	\$247,450.00
Non-resident real estate	148,470.00
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Total real estate	\$395,920.00
Resident personal estate	\$59,673.00
Non-resident personal estate	5,765.00
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Total personal estate	\$65,438.00
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Total valuation	\$461,358.00
Value of land	\$290,760.00
Value of buildings	105,160.00
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Total real estate	\$395,920.00
Number of polls at \$2.00	267
Tax cast at \$.019 on the dollar.	

Appropriations for the Year 1914

Common Schools	\$ 800.00
Supplies and repairs	300.00

Text books	150.00
Support of Poor	500.00
Roads and bridges	2,250.00
State road	533.00
State aid road	30.00
Brown tail moths	1.00
Permanent culverts	50.00
Incidentals	700.00
Electric lights	260.00
Breaking roads, 1913-1914	300.00
McLucas road	200.00
Painting bridges	50.00
District superintendent	200.00
Sealer of weights and measures' outfit	150.00
Repairing road machine	50.00
State tax	2,162.68
County tax	554.03
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Total appropriation	\$9,240.71
Total appropriation	\$9,240.71
Overlay	241.46
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Total commitment to J. A. Roberts, collector.....	\$9,482.17
Supplementary	13.60

Orders Drawn on Town Treasurer

Common schools	\$2,193.45
Supplies and repairs	256.55
Text books	84.29
Support of poor	615.69
Roads and bridges	2,286.78

State road	1,057.25
State aid road	45.42
Permanent culverts	96.00
Incidentals	1,266.67
Electric Lights	235.62
Breaking roads 1913-1914	278.56
McLucas road	211.65
Painting bridges	38.59
District superintendent	110.00
Sealer of weights and measures' outfit	150.00
Repairing road machine	28.50
State tax	2,162.68
County tax	554.03
Dog tax	115.00
State pensions	279.00
High school	675.00

Common Schools

By orders drawn on treasurer \$2,193.45

CREDIT

To balance March 1, 1914	\$ 158.26
To appropriated by town	800.00
To school and mill fund	848.11
To common school fund	784.58

\$2,590.95

Balance \$397.50

High School

By orders drawn on treasurer	\$ 675.00
CREDIT	
To balance March 1, 1914	\$ 566.44
To High school fund	500.00
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	\$1,066.44
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Balance	\$391.44

Supplies and Repairs to Schools

By orders drawn on treasurer	\$ 256.55
CREDIT	
To balance March 1, 1914	\$ 17.19
To appropriation by town	300.00
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	\$317.19
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Balance	\$60.64

Text Books

By orders drawn on treasurer	\$ 84.29
CREDIT	
To balance, March 1, 1914	\$ 39.77
To appropriated by town	150.00
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	\$189.77
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Balance	105.48

Support of Poor

Rena Carll, board of Charles G. McKenney.....\$	20.00
Charles H. Rhoades, supplies to George Clifford and wife	133.39
George E. Flood, wood to George Clifford and wife	3.38
John H. Chase, goods to George A. Kimball .....	.50
John H. Chase, supplies to Charles G. McKenney	11.41
H. B. Swett, wood to George Clifford and wife	5.00
John N. Moore, board of Charlees G. McKenney	114.00
Mary Ham, board of Drown boy	25.00
W. Leslie Goodwin, repairing chimney for George Clifford	3.50
M. F. Coffin, supplies to Charles G. McKenney....	6.83
A. C. Warren, supplies to Charles G. McKenney	4.30
A. C. Warren, supplies to Fred Goodrich and wife	80.29
H. B. Swett, expenses in L. E. Woodward case....	12.10
Edgar A. Roberts, board of L. E. Woodward six weeks	18.00
O. B. Emery, moving goods for Fred Goodrich....	2.00
Fred M. Flood, wood to George Clifford and wife	18.00
John H. Chase, supplies to Henry Scott	24.79
Mary Welch, board of Lydia Henderson	4.50
Dr. H. K. Tibbetts, medical services to Ida Drowns	3.00
George W. Griffith, board of Lydia Henderson....	8.00
E. F. Ridlon, burial expense of Charles Knights' child	34.50
Frank Sanborn, transporting Mary Knights	1.25
John N. Moore, board of Mary Jane Johnson	52.00

Dr. C. W. Weeks, medical services to Mrs. James	4.00
Estate of F. H. Hobbs, medical services to Mrs. Goodrich	4.45
Estate of F. H. Hobbs, medical services to Lydia Henderson	3.00
Estate of F. H. Hobbs, medical services to Chas. G. McKenney	7.00
Estate of F. H. Hobbs, medical services to Geo. Clifford	11.50
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	\$615.69

CREDITS

To balance March 1, 1914	\$ 139.79
To appropriated by town	500.00
To received from town of Cornville,	
Maine	86.74
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	\$726.53
Balance	\$110.84

Highway, Brackett District

Freeman Smith	\$ 64.56
John Moore	34.76
Charles S. Brackett	283.72
Albert H. Garland	9.00
Arthur C. Warren	14.50
Mell McKenney	82.80
Will Ramsdell	65.00
Ralph Ramsdell	20.00
Walter J. Downs	2.50

TOWN OF WATERBORO

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George N. Brock	4.20
Howard E. Ricker	13.10
Charles W. Pierce	2.75
O. B. Emery.....	45.88
Charles H. Andrews	44.12
Andrew Shoaler	36.50
Robert Smith	4.38
Cleo Day	3.50
John F. Sanborn	9.95
W. C. Nason, Jr., watering tub	3.00
William Dey	1.50
S. J. Nowell, sewer pipe	10.20
Lester Burbank	23.62
Seth Chase	3.50
Albion K. Hanson	3.50
C. N. McDonald	3.50
George H. Smith	20.00
David B. Kimball	2.63
Dan Bean	6.13
Carll Brothers	13.42
C. W. Smith & Son	61.70
Fort Ridge Lumber Co.	27.14
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	\$921.06

CREDITS

To appropriation by town	750.00
Deficit	\$171.06

Highway, D. P. Knights.

D. P. Knights	\$ 81.50
J. P. Knights	72.70
Frank Ham	1.75
Will Webber	31.50
George Johnson	108.06
Milton Johnson	3.50
Walter Ridlon	8.75
Frank Scribner	20.25
Sam Drowns	15.75
George Chadbourne	9.00
R. B. Carpenter	27.94
J. F. Chadbourne	22.00
Ira T. Smith	17.50
W. E. Fox	7.00
Melvin P. Thing	1.75
Dennis Johnson	105.10
Alonzo J. Bradeen	10.62
E. L. Day	20.00
W. L. Goodwin	8.00
Ralph A. Owen	3.50
Cyrus C. Thing	21.25
John H. Chase, watering tub and town supplies	6.95
Ed. Moyes	1.92
Charles W. Gerry	5.00
John B. Johnson, gravel	2.00
Jason E. Brown	23.00
Joseph J. Chadbourne, gravel and watering tub.....	6.00
Charles H. Pitts	2.62
Frank H. Williams	7.86
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	\$652.77

CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	\$750.00
To balance March 1, 1914	40.50

	\$790.50

Balance	\$137.73
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Highway, L. P. Knights.

L. P. Knights	\$298.20
J. B. Tibbetts	15.75
John Belval	18.00
Perley L. Thompson	5.25
George H. Boothby	46.39
Wm. A. Follette	48.58
E. D. Cotton	22.50
Fred Philbrick	35.88
Clinton Wakefield	48.39
Asa Wallingford	8.75
Fred Jellerson	3.50
Frenk A. Walker	8.75
J. A. Roberts	9.88
O. W. Wakefield	10.75
Milton Johnson	1.75
Asbury Warren	6.75
Ernest Ham	3.50
Frank Ham	11.25
Charles H. Goodwin	10.51
Irving W. Benton	3.37
Estate of B. C. Jordan, plank, etc.	40.05
J. W. Meserve, gravel	3.00

Herbert Knights .....	.88
Henry Scott .....	.88
C. L. Swett	12.25
Will C. Roberts	3.00
Walter S. Jellerson	1.75
Guy E. Carll	5.00
H. B. Swett .....	.88
Walter C. Leavitt .....	.88
Herman Tucker	1.75
W. L. Dyer	1.75
M. F. Coffin	3.50
Ed. S. Roberts .....	.88
Warren A. Follette, blacksmith work	1.35
Wm. C. Nason	6.50
W. M. Meserve	1.75
Curtis H. Kimball	3.07
A. L. Deering	6.13
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	\$712.95

CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	\$750.00
Balance	\$37.05

State Road, D. P. Knights.

John Belval	\$ 90.00
Elbridge Sawyer	16.00
George Derby	1.75
George Johnson	22.75
D. P. Knights, gravel	75.00
Carll Bros., cement	6.00

C. O. Woodsome	22.75
J. H. Woodsome	47.25
R. B. Carpenter	56.00
George R. Chadbourne	8.00
E. L. Day	135.00
W. H. Webber	141.75
Frank Scribner	7.00
Charles Drowns	5.25
Dennis Johnson	16.50
Perley Dudley	57.75
Elmer E. Jordan	59.50
James F. Chadbourne	59.50
J. P. Knights	157.50
D. P. Knights	72.00
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	\$1,057.25

CREDITS.

To appropriation by town	\$533.00
To rec'd from State	491.72
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	\$1,024.72
Deficit	\$32.53

Permanent Culverts.

L. E. Langley	\$18.00
Berger Manufacturing Co.	39.60
North East Metal Culvert Co.	38.40
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	\$96.00

CREDITS.

To appropriation by town	50.00
Deficit	\$46.00

State Aid Road Repairs.

F. Philbrick	\$ 1.75
L. P. Knights	22.00
George Boothby	3.50
Will Follette	3.50
C. E. Chadbourne, painting rail	7.50
Elmer L. Day	7.17
	\$45.42

CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	30.00
Deficit	\$15.42

Painting Bridges.

Charles Jordan	\$ 1.00
Elmer Foss	6.00
C. E. Chadbourne	8.70
J. H. Chase, lead and oil, etc.	22.89
	\$38.59

CREDITS.

Appropriated by town	\$50.00
Received from Limerick	8.25

	\$58.25

Balance	\$19.66

Incidentals.

Ivory H. Smith, services as clerk, 1913, recording births and deaths	\$ 26.62
H. B. Swett, express, guide boards, etc.	2.00
Dr. D. W. Wentworth, medical services to William H. Cotton in small-pox case	116.45
Dr. C. M. Leighton, consultation in above case....	25.00
Record Press, printing town reports, 1913	39.00
Agnes Belval, cleaning town house	4.25
Frank D. Fenderson, recording Clifford deed .....	.52
Loring, Short & Harmon, town book and supplies	28.65
George P. Chase, insurance on town house	11.52
Elwin S. Carll, supplies	5.80
John H. Chase, supplies to town farm	1.02
M. F. Coffin, postage stamps	2.00
W. M. Meserve, horse hire in Wm. Cotton case	8.00
James A. Roberts, freight and cartage of seal-er's outfit	6.98
Cecil F. Swett, burying horse	2.00
Asbury Warren, use of team for Charles G. Mc-Kenney	2.00
H. B. Swett, services as selectman	100.00

Mrs. Nellie Kimball, paper for selectmen's office	4.56
S. B. Emery Co., chairs and window shades	12.30
Charles H. Goodwin, gravel, 1912	12.00
O. W. Wakefield, moving snow roller	4.50
Harry L. Smith, printing and keys for town house	5.00
Bertin Walcott, painting and papering select- men's office	8.00
George Boothby, services as constable at elec- tion	2.00
Roy Stetson, sheep killed by dogs	9.00
George W. Carll, services as election clerk	4.00
Farnsworth Durgin, services as election clerk....	4.00
C. E. Chadbourne, services as selectman	83.35
Elmer Foss, constable at election	2.00
John S. Sanborn, ballot clerk	2.00
A. C. Warren, supplies for selectmen's office	2.25
E. R. Bryant, posting warrants	3.00
H. B. Swett, express to Cornish	3.00
Henry L. Bradeen, ballot clerk	4.00
George H. Swasey, attending funeral of James Dudley	6.00
H. L. Smith, services as selectman	75.00
H. L. Smith, copying valuation book	15.00
H. L. Smith, expense to Cornish	4.00
Estate of F. H. Hobbs, reporting births and deaths and vaccination	45.67
James E. Green, painting guide boards	2.50
M. E. Ricker, services as moderator, 1914	2.00
J. W. Meserve, error on tax	19.00
H. B. Swett, wood for selectmen's office	2.00
George H. Smith, services as auditor	7.50

George W. Knights, enforcing dog law and gate warden	14.00
William A. Follette, services as secretary board of health	9.30
A. C. Kennett, taxed twice	3.32
Will E. Fox, gate warden and ballot clerk	4.00
James A. Roberts, interest on notes	89.06
James A. Roberts, services as collector, 1914	100.00
James A. Roberts, services as treasurer, 1914	50.00
James A. Roberts, abatements on taxes	17.43
James A. Roberts, postage and stationery	16.40
Ivory H. Smith, services as clerk, 1914, and re- cording births and deaths	22.40
Elmer L. Day, repairing snow roller	72.33
Elmer L. Day, pump for town farm	7.64
Edwin G. Durgin, funeral expenses of James Dudley	9.90
C. E. Libby, moving body of James Dudley from depot	5.00
E. G. Knights, copying valuation book for use of revaluation committee	5.00
Daniel Bean, fighting fire	12.00
A. C. Warren, fighting fire	8.00
John Dumar, fighting fire	3.40
Roy Baker, fighting fire	2.00
Charles W. Parker, fighting fire	2.00
Frank B. Woodman, fighting fire	3.00
Bert Gilpatrick, fighting fire	1.00
Ivory L. Bean, fighhting fire	1.00
George Menter, fighting fire	1.00
Paul Roy, fighting fire	1.00
W. W. Burbank, fighting fire	1.00
Edgar A. Roberts, fighting fire	2.00

Ernest E. Smith, fighting fire	2.00
H. B. Swett, fighting fire	3.00
Albert H. Garland, fighting fire	10.00
Harry L. Smith, fighting fire	9.00
Charles H. Bradeen, fighting fire	1.00
Harry Bradeen, fighting fire	2.00
Fred Parker, fighting fire .....	.80
Fred Pendexter, fighting fire	12.00
Albert E. Downs, fighting fire	1.25
Howard E. Ricker, fighting fire	8.00
C. W. Smith & Son, fighting fire	23.00
George W. Knights, fighting fire	2.00
Wilson Ramsdell, fighting fire	4.00
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	\$1,266.67

CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	\$700.00
To E. E. Libby, pool room license	10.00
To Elmer L. Day, rent of town farm	75.00
To rec'd from State for sheep killed	9.00
To rec'd from Wm. H. Cotton	100.00
To overlay in assessing taxes	241.46
To supplementary tax	13.60
To balance March 1, 1914	499.08
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	\$1,648.14

Balance \$381.47

Lights for South Waterboro.

By orders drawn on treasurer \$235.62

CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	260.00
Balance	\$24.38

Sealer of Weights and Measures' Outfit.

By orders drawn on Treasurer	\$150.00
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CREDIT.

To appropriation by town	150.00
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Breaking Roads, 1913-1914.

L. P. Knights	\$ 22.50
John B. Johnson	4.25
H. B. Swett	3.50
Edgar A. Roberts	1.75
Martin Jellerson	5.00
Asbury Warren	12.00
David P. Belval	3.00
Charles L. Richardson	3.00
O. W. Wakefield	9.88
Will H. Webber	5.80
John H. Woodward	3.50
Ernest Stowen	1.75
A. J. Bradeen	12.00
F. H. Williams	1.55
Dennis Johnson	31.10
W. S. Pierce	1.55
F. H. Scribner	1.75
W. E. Fox	1.75

R. B. Carpenter	2.00
Jason E. Brown	11.00
W. L. Goodwin	3.00
George R. Chadbourne	5.50
Charles W. Gerry	3.50
Cyrus C. Thing	7.43
Harry Bradeen	2.00
F. W. Stafford	1.50
B. F. Roberts	1.00
Almon Walker	5.00
H. L. Smith	13.50
Frank H. Kimball	3.00
Edgar L. Smith	9.00
Charles Woodman	1.75
M. G. Morse	1.00
John F. Sanborn	3.50
Andrew Shoaler	2.00
Fred Parker	1.00
George H. Smith	65.25
W. M. Meserve	6.25
Charles H. Stevens	4.75
	\$278.56

CREDIT

To appropriation by town	300.00
Balance	\$21.44

Brown Tail Moths

By order drawn on treasurer

CREDIT

To appropriation by town	\$1.00
Balance	1.00

State Tax

By order drawn on treasurer	\$2,162.68
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CREDIT

To appropriation by town	2,162.68
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County Tax

By order drawn on treasurer	\$ 554.03
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CREDIT

To appropriation by town	554.03
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McLucas Road, J. F. Chadbourne

F. H. Scribner	5.25
John H. Woodward	6.00
R. B. Carpenter	5.25
John H. Chase, dynamite, etc.	2.75
Dennis Johnson, labor and plank	16.25
John Sinclair	5.00
Mark L. Hill	5.00
Herbert A. Grant	17.50
Harold Chase	30.62

Seth L. Chase	34.12
M. P. Thing	3.50
Cyrus C. Thing	23.79
James F. Chadbourne	46.00
Grover C. Thing	9.75
Leo Thing .....	.87
	\$211.65

CREDIT

To appropriation by town	200.00
Deficit	\$11.65

Repairs on Road Machine

By order drawn on treasurer	\$ 28.50
	CREDIT
To appropriation by town	50.00
Balance	\$21.50

District Superintendent

By order drawn on treasurer, L. J. West.....	\$ 60.00
By order drawn on treasurer, F. P. Knights	50.00
	\$110.00
	CREDIT

To appropriation by town	200.00
Balance	\$90.00

Dog Tax

Order to James A. Roberts, treasurer \$ 115.00
CREDIT

To received from Ivory H. Smith, dog tax, 1914 115.00

State Pensions

Order to James A. Roberts, treasurer \$ 279.00
CREDIT

Received from State treasurer to reimburse
town 212.00

Due from State treasurer \$67.00

Those Who Drew State Pensions

Emeline Hobbs, \$4.00 per month	\$ 48.00
Isaac Hill, \$2.00 per month	24.00
Edwin C. Durgin, \$2.00 per month	24.00
Edward Rollins \$3.00 per month	36.00
Mary C. Welch, \$6.00 per month	72.00
Lydia J. Henderson, \$4.00 per month	48.00
Sarah Wakefield, \$3.00 per month for 9 months	27.00
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	\$279.00

Abatements.

Frank O. Bean, away	\$ 2.00
Frank Clark, error95

W. H. Dole, away	2.00
J. Burton Emery, paid in Hollis	2.00
Patrick Garrigan, away	2.00
Frank S. Libby, over 70	2.00
Audley Gerry, away	2.00
Geo. Stetson, poor	2.48
Timothy Stetson, poor	2.00
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	\$17.43

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. SMITH,

HARRY B. SWETT,

C. E. CHADBOURNE,

Selectmen of Waterboro.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts
of the selectmen for the municipal year of 1914 and find
them correct.

GEORGE H. SMITH, Auditor.

Treasurer's Report.

Resources in treasury February 23, 1914	\$ 380.47
Total receipts for year ending February 23, 1915	12,993.88

	\$13,374.35
Total amount of orders paid	\$12,846.72
Resources in treasury February 23, 1915	527.63

	\$13,374.35

Dr.

To resources in treasury, February 23, 1914	\$ 380.47
To rec'd town of Lyman, tuition and transporta- tion	99.50
C. E. Chadbourne, guardian Mary Thompson	55.00
of E. G. Knights, books sold .....	.75
State, dog tax refunded	74.01
State, account of State pensions	216.00
State, account of High School	500.00
State, account of State road	491.72
State, account of school and mill fund	848.11
State, account of common school fund	784.58
State, for sheep killed by dogs	9.00
F. H. Williams, auctioneer's license.....	2.00
E. E. Libby, pool room license	10.00
I. H. Smith, dog tax	115.00

Town of Cornville, account of Fred Goodrich and wife	86.74
Town of Limerick, account of painting Stimpson's bridge	8.25
Rev. Wm. Cotton, account of small-pox	100.00
E. I. Day, rent of poor farm	75.00
Forest Products Co., tax deed	22.45
J. A. Roberts, Collector, commitment	9,495.77

	\$13,374.35

Cr.

By town orders paid	\$12,846.72
By due on tax deeds, 1907	9.87
By due on tax deeds, 1908	7.14
By due on tax deeds, 1910	13.60
By due on tax deeds, 1913	44.51
By due on tax deeds, 1914	35.49
By due on unpaid taxes, 1911	3.68
By due on unpaid taxes, 1912	10.10
By due on unpaid taxes, 1913	5.90
By due on unpaid taxes, 1914	4.95

	\$12,981.96
By cash to balance	392.39

	\$13,374.35

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. ROBERTS, Treasurer.

Waterboro, Maine, February 23, 1915.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts
of James A. Roberts, treasurer, for the municipal year of
1914 and find them correct.

GEORGE H. SMITH, Auditor.

Town Clerk's Report

Births Recorded for the Year Ending February 20, 1915.

1914

- Mar. 6 Annie Eldora, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clark.
Apr. 6 Millie Ardine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Smith.
Apr. 10 Norman Kenneth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Brock.
Apr. 10 Wallace Elmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Roberts.
Apr. 20 Ralph Gleason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Canning.
May 15 Eunice Evelyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.
Sept. 12 Mary Ellen, daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Scribner.
Sept. 14 Daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker.
Nov. 7 Percy Elwin, son to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ricker.
Nov. 19 Alice Gertrude, daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Albion F. Froburg.

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- Jan. 7 Delora Bethel, daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Huff.
Jan. 25 Daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Thompson.

Marriages Recorded for Year Ending February 20, 1915.

1914

- Feb. 27 Charles W. Thompson, of Waterboro, and Anne M. Guptill, of Scarboro. Rev. I. J. Bamberg of Saco.
- Apr. 4 David Henderson of Waterboro and Blanch I. Porter of Springvale. Rev. A. N. Chandler, of Waterboro.
- Apr. 6 Samuel F. Ricker, of Portland, and Sarah C. Weeks of Portland. Rev. W. H. Cotton, of Waterboro.
- Apr. 9 John A. Peters, of Limington, and Edith M. Strout of Limington. Rev. W. H. Cotton of Waterboro.
- June 5 Everett L. Bradbury of Hollis and Ethel E. Knights of Waterboro. Rev. W. H. Cotton of Waterboro.
- June 6 Walter F. Young of Gorham, and Edna M. Kimball of Waterboro. Rev. J. B. Ranger of Springvale.
- June 24 Everett W. Smith, of Waterboro, and Evelyn C. Dennett, of Waterboro. Rev. A. N. Chandler, of Waterboro.
- June 29 Roy Emerson, of Waterboro, and Ruby M. Abbott, of Waterboro. Rev. A. N. Chandler, of Waterboro.
- Aug. 1 Harold D. Ross, of Union, N. H., and Edith Hotchkiss, of Salem, Mass. Rev. J. B. Ranger of Springvale.
- Aug. 19 Clarence T. Carll, of Waterboro, and Florence E. LeFon of Waterboro. Rev. A. N. Chandler, of Waterboro.

- Sept. 12 Brice A. Bradbury, of Hollis, and Mary H. Littlefield, of Dayton. Rev. W. H. Cotton, of Waterboro.
- Sept. 23 Berton C. Merrill, of Portland, and Florence M. Cluff, of Waterboro. Rev. W. H. Cotton, of Waterboro.
- Oct. 10 John E. Gile, of Nottingham, N. H., and Carrie B. Carpenter, of Waterboro. Rev. A. N. Chandler, of Waterboro.
- Oct. 14 Orlando W. Brown, of Sanford, and Lena A. Bean, of Waterboro. Rev. Austin I. Davis, of Sanford.
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Deaths Recorded for the Year Ending February 20, 1915.

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- Mar. 9 Mehitable A. Cotton, 67 years, 10 months, 12 days. Diabetis mellitus exhaustion.
- Apr. 19 Maria H. Scribner, 59 years, 8 months. Acute indigestion.
- Apr. 20 J. Frank Young, 65 years, 2 months, 6 days. Bright's disease.
- June 15 Eliza J. Hooper, 83 years, 11 months, 15 days. Natural infirmity and old age.
- June 22 Annie M. Nutter, 51 years. Malignant disease of the stomach and bowels.
- July 13 Eliza R. Parcher, 66 years, 3 months, 20 days. Acute indigestion.
- Sept. 14 Allen M. Witham, 70 years, 8 months, 14 days. Acute dilation of heart.
- Sept. 30 Minnie L. Coffin, 31 years, 9 months, 18 days. Pneumonia.

- Oct. 11 Frank H. Hobbs, 55 years, 11 months, 29 days.
Surgical shock following operation for appendicitis.
- Oct. 2 Sarah H. Wakefield, 92 years, 5 months, 21 days. Senility.
- Nov. 18 Charity J. Jellerson, 60 years, 2 months, 29 days. Shock.

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- Jan. 10 Olen C. Jellerson, 44 years, 4 months, 12 days.
Aortix stenosis of the heart.
- Feb. 5 Mary L. McKenney, 71 years, 11 months, 2 days. Cancer.

Respectfully submitted,

IVORY H. SMITH, Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Superintendent of Schools
OF THE
TOWN OF WATERBORO
MAINE**

**For the Year Ending February 20,
1915**

JAMES A. ROBERTS, Chairman,
GEORGE N. BROCK,
W. LESLIE GOODWIN,
Superintending School Committee.

LOUIS J. WEST,
Superintendent of Schools.

Calendar.

Fall Term began Sept. 14, 1914

Fall Term ended Dec. 11, 1914, for common schools.
Dec. 18, 1914, for high school.

Winter Term began Jan. 4, 1915.

Winter Term ends Mar. 12, 1915, for common schools.
Mar. 26, 1915, for high schools.

Spring Term begins Apr. 12, 1915.

Spring Term ends June 18, 1915.

Present Corps of Teachers.

High School	Waterboro Centre	Vinal H. Tibbetts
District No.	1 Old Corner	Carrie J. Knight
	4 Middle Road	Lizzie M. Sawyer
	8 Deering's Ridge	Mary E. Deering
	9 East Waterboro	Harvey W. Stafford
	10 South Waterboro	Myra B. Durgin
	12 Carll's Corner	Eliza B. Roberts
	15 Gerry	Frank P. Knight
	16 North Waterboro	Dexter E. Roberts
		Raymond H. Bradeen

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Waterboro:—

The schools have been under the supervision of your new district superintendent for so small a part of the fiscal year now drawing to a close that it seems more fitting for me to leave entirely to my predecessor, your local superintendent, to write of the past, while I direct your thoughts more especially to the present and the future.

The three most powerful factors in determining the career of every boy and girl are (1) the home, (2) the church, and (3) the school. Although these three factors are so closely related and so almost inseparably dovetailed together, that no one of them can fully succeed in its mission without the co-operation of the other two, yet it is the third of them, the school, to which it is my privilege to call your special attention.

The function of a modern public school is to so train the boys and girls of the community as to bring out the very best that is in them, and thereby to develop them into most useful men and women, worthy of becoming our future citizens.

District Superintendent.

The first requisite towards establishing and maintaining schools which will fulfill their mission as cited above is close, intelligent and sympathetic supervision. Few people in any occupation do their best work at all times unless conscious of the oversight of someone who notes their failures and appreciates their successes.

In the words of the Hon. Payson Smith, State Superintendent of Schools, "The object of the law providing

for the union of towns to employ a superintendent of schools is to give to the smaller towns of the State advantages that have for a long time been enjoyed by the cities and some of the larger towns. For many years the cities have noted the advantages arising from placing their schools under the direction of men and women fitted by training and experience to shape educational plans.

"To the smaller towns this has not been possible because of the larger salaries necessary to secure the services of competent persons. The advantages of trained supervision have become so apparent that the legislature passed this law in order that every town in the State, availing itself of the generous aid of the State and the co-operation of adjoining towns, might secure for its schools these privileges.

"District supervision long since passed out of the experimental stage. Massachusetts first made provision for it in 1888, and so successful did it prove that every town and city in that state has placed its schools under expert direction. The testimony is general that district supervision has been the most powerful instrumentality for the improvement of school conditions that has been introduced into the Massachusetts school system.

"Vermont and New Hampshire have similar laws and in both states a large number of towns have availed themselves of the advantages offered by their enactment.

"Maine's first law for union superintendence was enacted in 1897. Several unions enjoyed continuous existence for over ten years. The repeated approval given by the towns in these unions is a strong witness to the efficiency of the system. The list of towns at present

under union supervision in Maine includes many whose schools enjoy a high reputation for excellence."

A competent superintendent should be something more than a school inspector. He must first of all be keen to appreciate and quick to commend the good; but if he is to raise the efficiency of the teaching corps he must not shrink from his less pleasant duty of adversely criticising faulty methods of teaching and violations of the principles of sound pedagogy, at the same time making it clear to each teacher just how she should aim to improve.

I am visiting each teacher in the entire district once in every two weeks, remaining with her from an hour to an hour and a half for observation, criticism and suggestions. No teacher, if aided, instructed, encouraged, energized and inspired by a competent superintendent can fail to grow in effectiveness.

Efficiency of Teachers.

It is, of course, one thing to teach for reputation and pay, teaching only what is required, and ruling by force; but 'tis quite another thing to so teach as to influence the very lives of pupils, inspire truer and higher ideals, and create a holy ambition to make the most and best of life.

I am pleased to find so faithful and willing a corps of teachers, cordially welcoming my services, which it is at all times a pleasure for me to render, with a view towards helping each one of them to become a broader, bigger and better teacher. What we need, however, is higher-priced teachers. Will any citizen say "We cannot afford it"? Surely no parent will make such a statement, because in the interest of his children he knows

that we cannot afford not to raise our present low salaries. I do not, however, advocate a general and uniform increase in salaries, for that would in no way increase the efficiency of the teaching corps. I believe thoroughly in a "merit system" whereby the salary of each teacher is determined not so much by the question, "Who are you?" as "What can you do?" When Miss A receives \$7.50 per week, Miss B \$8.50, and Miss C \$9.50, the only reason should be because in the judgment of the superintendent who recommended those salaries, Miss B is that much superior to Miss A and falls short that much from being the equal of Miss C. If a superintendent performs his duty, every teacher will know what her weaknesses are, and what she can do to become more efficient and command a larger salary. Our minimum salary of \$7.50 per week does very well for the young, inexperienced teacher who is being "tried out," so to speak, and is receiving the elementary training for her profession at our expense, but when once she begins to display traits of the true teacher and shows a willingness to spend most of her time and some of her salary on self-improvement for her profession, we should show our appreciation by remunerating her accordingly, to the limits of our appropriation.

Teachers of merit ought easily to advance to neighboring towns like Alfred or even Sanford which pay larger salaries than we can possibly pay.

Graded Schools and a Course of Study.

After careful observation I am convinced that the most serious cause of retarded progress among our pupils in the past has been the lack of systematic and uniform grading. Now the grading of pupils differs in

no respect, in principle, from the grading of any commodity in commercial life. The first requisite is some definite standard, or unit of measure. In grading pupils, that unit of measure is the Course of Study. In these towns, however, there was no course of study, and never had been. In ridiculous instances of pupils taking certain subjects or text-books long before they were prepared for them, either by age or by attainments, the only explanation was that the pupil was taking them "because he wanted to." In short, the pupils have dictated the course of study—a condition needing immediate reform in any well-organized school system.

I have, therefore, prepared a tentative Course of Study in Arithmetic, History, Geography, Language, Grammar, Reading and Penmanship. It is a course absolutely free from all fads and frills, and lays great stress upon the three R's (reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic), with a view primarily to turning out of our common schools boys and girls who can read intelligently and with expression, simple English from the printed page, can write in an easy, legible, business hand a creditable friendly or business letter, can add a column of figures accurately and rapidly, perform the four fundamental operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) with whole numbers and with common and decimal fractions, and show a working knowledge of the common business application of percentage.

The underlying principles of this course are not original with me, but are such as have been practically agreed upon by educators throughout the country, and have been adapted by me to our local needs.

Pupils.

A large majority of our pupils come from homes of that most acceptable of all classes, the medium class—from parents who are willing to sacrifice many of the luxuries of life that their children may have an education. These boys and girls are to me a very delightful type—courteous, affectionate and respectful; and come to school so neat and tidy in personal appearance as to reflect much credit upon the influence of their homes.

Co-operation of Parents.

The connecting link, however, between the home and the school, which enables their united influence to be most effective for the pupils' welfare is the parents. There is one service, quite as important as any other that we may consider, which can be rendered only by them. That service is Co-operation. I cannot emphasize too strongly the desirability of parents calling upon the schools much more frequently. It is my intention that the schools of Waterboro shall be operated solely in the best interest of the boys and girls. We want to bring out the very best that is in them, and in order to do that we must have them happy in their work. If they are not happy, then something is wrong. Go and talk it over with the teacher, or come and talk it over with me. Perhaps together we can remove the difficulties.

School Attendance.

With our schools graded, and a definite course of study to follow, each day brings its own work, so that in order to insure promotion at the end of the year, to the next higher grade, it is highly desirable that pupils

should be encouraged to be punctual, and to attend every session regularly.

There seems to be considerable indefiniteness as to what to do on stormy days. In the absence of all means like the fire-alarms of our larger towns and cities for notifying the pupils that there will be no school, it has seemed best to me to announce that teachers are expected to go to their schools whenever it is fitting for them to do so. The sending of children is a matter which should be left entirely to the discretion of the individual parents. Because Mrs. Jones, who lives a mile or more away, does not think it prudent to send her frail and delicate little girl, is no reason why that strong, healthy, and robust Smith boy, who lives near the school, should have to go back home with the idea that there is nothing for him to do. While Mrs. Jones is doing quite right in keeping her girl at home, it is nevertheless an excellent opportunity for the teacher to give special, individual drill to those who find it possible to attend.

If parents will have their children attend regularly on all other days, and use their very best discretion on the few very stormy days, the solution of the problem will not be difficult.

The School Census.

Most of the money received from the State to aid in the support of our schools is distributed among the several towns according to the number of children therein between five and twenty-one years of age.

In consideration of the difficulty that any one person, especially a stranger, would encounter in getting a com-

plete list, I would suggest, therefore, that every citizen feel interested enough in obtaining all that belongs to the school children of this town, to send to the superintendent the names and addresses of all persons whom you may know, between the ages of five and twenty-one, and not at present attending any of our schools.

Renovation of Buildings.

As I have mentioned above, in order to bring out the best that is in the pupils we must have them happy in their work, and no factor exerts a greater influence towards happiness than does environment. Most of our buildings are in a very creditable condition externally, and have been made temporarily more attractive within, so far as paint and paper can serve, reflecting thereby much credit upon those under whose regime the work has evidently been done both systematically and economically. The plastering, interior finish, floors and benches, however, have seen better days. They have served their mission, and done it nobly, but

“New occasions teach new duties,
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
We must upward still, and onward
Who would keep abreast of truth.”

In the North Waterboro, Waterboro Centre, East Waterboro, Gerry, and Deering's Ridge schools, the ceiling has fallen badly and threatens to continually grow worse. It is astonishing to see what has been accomplished in our sister-town of Hollis by way of renovating such buildings, and they hope to continue the work by improving two more buildings the coming year. I have avoided expending any money for temporary

relief on these buildings to date, with the hope that you too, would doubtless much prefer to renovate two of them during the coming year, such renovation to consist primarily in improving the lighting facilities by inserting one or more windows at left and in rear of pupils, new ceiling, walls, finish, floors, blackboards and desks, at a cost of about \$250. per building.

The High School

Last, but by no means least in importance, of the subjects to which I would invite your special attention is the High School. You as citizens should decide what kind of a school you wish to support, and then it becomes the duty of your superintendent to furnish the best possible type of such a school.

At present the school is registered in Class B, of which the principal distinguishing characteristics are that it maintains one approved course of study through two years of thirty-six weeks, is of standard grade together with approved equipment, and that at least \$500. is appropriated and expended annually for instruction therein.

Therefore, in addition to fulfilling the requirements of its class our school is at present offering an extra two years' course, which in reality consumes half the teacher's time which belongs properly to his two classes of the Class B school, and which is done therefore wholly at the expense of the first and second year pupils.

In short, if you wish to continue your commendable plan of offering the extra two years of work, that work should be carried on primarily by a second teacher in the school. Those of you who would be prone to criticise the employment of an assistant teacher in a school of only

eighteen pupils, would be overlooking the important fact that if there were only four pupils in the school, but each one doing the work of a different year of a four years' course, there would not be time enough in a school day for one teacher to hear all the classes, whereas even if there were a hundred pupils in the school, twenty-five being enrolled in each class, two teachers could nevertheless do the work, inasmuch as the number of recitation periods would not be increased.

The primary minimum requirements for advancing our present school into Class A would be the employment of an assistant teacher, an approved laboratory equipment and the appropriation and expenditure of not less than \$850. for instruction.

Nine pupils residing in South Waterboro find it more convenient to attend at their own expense the Alfred High School. This town, however, is liable for the third and fourth year tuition of those pupils who successfully pass the State examination.

From an economic point of view, figured solely on a basis of dollars and cents, it would undoubtedly be policy to pay the tuition of all our pupils next year at some neighboring high school, but there are many citizens among you, I am pleased to find, imbued with a civic pride in having a high school of your own.

Personally, I would recommend that we continue to maintain a Class B school, with the additional two years' course, but that the situation be met more satisfactorily by the employment of an assistant teacher in the school, to be paid for out of the large balance on hand and thereby requiring no increase in the appropriation, with the hope that when in a few years our graded common school pupils begin to be ready for the high school an-

nually and in larger numbers, it will seem to you then but an easy transition to fulfill the only remaining requirement, an approved laboratory equipment, for becoming a Class A High School.

Appropriations.

In consideration of the needs as outlined, I would recommend the following appropriations:

Free High School	\$ 500.00
Common Schools	1,200.00
Text Books and Supplies	300.00
Repairs	100.00
Renovation of two buildings	500.00

The amounts recommended for Free High School, Text Books and Supplies, and Repairs, as you will observe, are practically the same as were appropriated for the past year, while that for Common Schools is somewhat more than last year and possibly should be given some explanation.

It is an unfortunate coincidence that this increase should be associated with the first year of your district superintendency. So I want to state at the very outset, and to state it most emphatically, that this recommendation is based absolutely upon conditions existing exactly as I found them, and in no respect whatever influenced by any innovations of mine.

The four items which are provided for out of our Common School fund are: (1) Teaching, (2) Conveyance, (3) Fuel, and (4) Janitor Service.

(1) The teachers' pay-roll for January was based upon the following weekly schedule of wages:

Carrie J. Knight	\$ 7.50
Eliza B. Roberts	7.50
Myra B. Durgin	8.00
Mary E. Deering	8.00
Lizzie M. Sawyer	8.00
Frank P. Knight	8.00
Dexter E. Roberts	8.00
Raymond H. Bradeen	8.00
Harvey W. Stafford	9.00
 Total	 \$72.00

Mrs. Mary E. Deering, Mr. Frank P. Knight and Mr. Raymond H. Bradeen, successful teachers who have formerly commanded higher salaries, were appointed by me. All other salaries, as reported above, are just as I found them.

(2) Conveyance weekly pay-roll, in which I have made no change, is:

E. I. Day, from No. 14 to No. 16, at	\$ 4.00
J. B. Emery, from No. 5 to No. 16, at	4.00
Jos. Chadbourne, from No. 7 to No.	
16, at	4.00
Mrs. Frank Roberts, from No. 3 to No.	
1, at	2.00
 Total	 \$14.00

(3) Fuel, reckoned on the basis of the past year and the year next preceding, averages about \$18 per school, and we supply ten schools.

(4) Janitor Service (for Winter term) amounts to \$25.00.

Therefore, with no indications of any material reduction in any of these items, the conditions which confront us for the coming year are as follows:

EXPENDITURES.

Teaching, based on January scale of wages	\$2,376.00
Conveyance, based on January scale of wages	462.00
Fuel, included in last year's report, under "Supplies and Repairs"	180.00
Janitor service, not included in last year's report	25.00
Tuition at Shapleigh, not included in last year's report	28.50
	\$3,071.50

RESOURCES.

Balance on hand Mar. 1, 1915.....	?
Tuition from Lyman	99.40
From State mill fund	841.11
From Per. School fund	748.58
	1,096.09

Amount (less balance on hand) to be raised by taxation	\$1,375.41
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In view, then, of the above conditions, already previously established, and which your local needs make it seem imperative to continue, I trust you will fully appre-

ciate the grounds for my recommendation of \$1,200 for Common Schools.

Thanking you for the friendly and helpful spirit of co-operation which it has been my privilege to enjoy thus far, and with the hope that by our united efforts we may succeed in bringing out the best that is in these boys and girls, and develop them into most useful men and women, of whom any community may justly feel proud, I beg to remain,

Yours very respectfully,

LOUIS J. WEST,

Superintendent of Schools.

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